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Office Action Summary

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Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 1 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- If the period for reply specified above is less than thirty (30) days, a reply within the statutory minimum of thirty (30) days will be considered timely.
- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 11 April 2005.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-10, 13-38, 69-136, 145-148, 183-188, 193, 200-246 and 248-252 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☒ Claim(s) 1-10, 13-38, 69-136, 145-148, 183-188, 193, 200-246, 248-252 are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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DETAILED ACTION

Election/Restrictions

1. Restriction is required under 35 U.S.C. 121 and 372.

This application contains the following inventions or groups of inventions which are not so linked as to form a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1.

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.499, applicant is required, in reply to this action, to elect a single invention to which the claims must be restricted.

Group 1, claim(s) 1-10, drawn to a method of generating object oriented interactive multimedia file, classified in class 345/960.

Group 2, claim(s) 13, 25-36, drawn to a interactive multimedia file format, classified in class 707/104.1.

Group 3, claim(s) 14-24, drawn to a system for manipulating content of displayed video in an interactive video system, classified in class 345/634.

Group 4, claim(s) 37-38, drawn to voice command operation of a low power video streaming video device, classified in class 715/865.

Group 5, claim(s) 69-136, 187-188, 193, drawn to a generalized object oriented processing method and system, classified in class 345/619.

Group 6, claim(s) 145-148, 234, drawn to a method of transmitting electronic greeting card, classified in class 715/752.

Group 7, claim(s) 183-186, drawn to a system for exchanging object oriented streaming multimedia video, classified in class 709/231.

Group 8, claim(s) 201-218, 221-224, 229-230, 233, 235, 248-252, drawn to video encoding of object oriented video, classified in class 375/240.08.

Group 9, claim(s) 231, drawn to a computer client system with video decoding capability accessing a remote serve, classified in class 725/153.

Group 10, claim(s) 232, drawn to multimedia conferencing, classified in class 709/204.

Group 11, claim(s) 236, drawn to a video on demand system, classified in class 725/87.

Group 12, claim(s) 237, drawn to a video security system, classified in class 348/143.

Group 13, claim(s) 200, 227, 228, 238, 242-244, drawn to an interactive mobile video system, classified in class 455/556.2.

Group 14, claim(s) 219-220, 225-226, 239-241, drawn to video decoding of object oriented interactive video, classified in class 375/240.25.

Group 15, claim(s) 245-246, drawn to an interactive video brochure e.g., electronic book, classified in class 345/901.

2. The inventions listed as Groups 1-15 do not relate to a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1 because, under PCT Rule 13.2, they lack the same or corresponding special technical features for the following reasons:

Each group exhibits its own special technical features that are separate and distinct from one another as described in item 1 above, and as evidenced by the different assigned classification.

3. Applicant is advised that the reply to this requirement to be complete must include an election of the invention to be examined even though the requirement be traversed (37 CFR 1.143).

Examiner's Remarks:

The current pending claims are riddled with problems that do not conform to U.S. practice. See MPEP 608.01(m), 608.01(n). Some of the claims exhibit improper multiple dependency. Some recite both statutory classes (see claims 25-36 for example). It is highly advised that applicant review the current pending claims and make any appropriate corrections in order to expedite prosecution.

The corrected preliminary amendment of October 11, 2001 has been entered. Currently, claims 11-12, 39-68, 137-144, 149-182, 189-192, 194-199 and 247 are canceled. Pending claims are 1-10, 13-38, 69-136, 145-148, 188, 193, 200-246, 248-252.

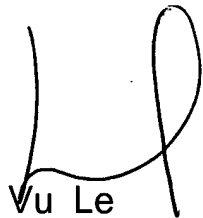
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4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Vu Le whose telephone number is (571) 272-7332. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 8:30-6:00.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Mehrdad Dastouri can be reached on (571) 272-7418. Customer Service can be reached at (571) 272-2600. The fax number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (571) 273-8300.

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